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Description: ff. 47 - Quarter bound over pasteboard; label on spine, stamped in gold, "Ovidii Nasonis." - Belonged in modern times to an Italian, Pietro Monti (his note on back pastedown). Gift in July 2009 from Julie Barnett, alumna of Barnard College; the item had belonged to her father, Jean Misrahi (1910-1970) who received his Ph.D. from Columbia in 1933, was professor of Romance Languages at Fordham, and later at Brown University.

Notes:-On the back pastedown in ink in a modern hand, crossed out in ink: Ex libris Petri Monti. Questo codice delle Pistole di Ovidio dal Ponto è <?> ed è formato di quaderni sei, di pagine sei ciascuno. Ha tuttavia pregio; sembra essere <?>scritto per la lettera nel secolo XIV.

Number of Parts: 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 0

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Language: Latin *Country:* Italy *Century:* 14th

Part 1: ff. 1-47v

Description: - Parchment - 193 x 135 mm - Originally in 7 gatherings of 8 leaves each, with quire and leaf signatures as letters of the alphabet (a-h) and roman numerals; the second quire (now ff. 9-15) disturbed at its center, where its own two center bifolia went missing and were instead supplied by the first three leaves of quire "h" (ff. 11-13v); the fourth quire missing ("d"); catchwords centered in the lower margin. 25 lines of verse per page.

Country: Italy

Cardinal point:

Region:

City:

Assigned Date: s. XIV

Searchable Date Range: 1300 - 1399

Dated by scribe: No

Inscribed Date:

Document: No

Number of Scribes: ;

Script: Gothic

Other Decoration: Opening initial, 5-line, in plain blue; all others in the same style but 2-line.

Notes: Stains from mold especially on ff. 9v-13v, after which 3 leaves are removed, possibly because of the mold or very visible damage.

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1: ff. 1-47v

Author: Ovid

Title: Epistulae ex Ponto

Language(s): Latin

Incipit: Naso thomitane iam non novus incola terre

Explicit: Tu bonus ortator, tu duxque comesque fuisti//

Notes: Opening lines: "Incipit liber ovidii in ponto. Expers naso modi quoniam nimis hesit amori/ Ingenii pretium pertulit exilium/ Unde nimis fractus patrieque cupidine tactus/ Exilio reditus edidit istud opus. Hec datur ex ponto nasonis epistola bruto." Text is defective at three points, and is misbound. It should be read in this order: ff. 1-10v, [2 bifolia missing to judge from standard quire size and from amount of missing text, i.e. I:6:21-I:9:19], 14-23v, [1 quire missing, i.e II:6:7 – III:1:43], 24-47v, 11-13v, [i.e.missing IV:12:23 – end, a total of 233 verses, just over 9 pages, i.e. the missing final five leaves of the 8-leaf quire that begins with the present ff. 11-13v].

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